

BY-LAWS

of the

Town of Bolton



1964

DIVISION I

Administrative By-Laws

ARTICLE I.

General Provisions

- Section 1. The following by-laws shall regulate the administration of the affairs of the town of Bolton, Massachusetts.
- Section 2. Any or all of these by-laws may be repealed or amended or other by-laws may be adopted by a majority vote, at any town meeting, an article or articles for that purpose having been inserted in the warrant for such meeting.
- Section 3. The Selectmen shall publish the by-laws of the town at least once every five years.
- Section 4. Whoever violates any of the provisions of these by-laws whereby any act or thing is enjoined or prohibited, shall, unless other provision is expressly made, forfeit and pay a fine of not more than twenty dollars for each offense.

ARTICLE II.

Town Meetings and Warrants

- Section 1. The Annual Town Meeting for the transaction of business shall be on the first Monday of March and shall commence at 8:00 p.m. The election of officers shall take place within seven days after the Annual Meeting held for the transaction of other business and commence at 12:01 p.m. and close at 8:00 p.m. of that day.
- Section 2. A town meeting shall, unless a different time or method is prescribed by law, be called by posting an attested copy of the warrant, calling the same, at the town house, at the post office and at two other public places in the town seven days, at least, before the day appointed for said meeting, and by mailing a notice to each family at least four days before said meeting.
- Section 3. The presence of fifty voters at a town meeting for the transaction of business shall be required to constitute a quorum except for a motion to adjourn, for which no quorum shall be required.

- Section 4. When an article requiring an appropriation of money is presented in the warrant for a town meeting, said article must contain the request for the appropriation.
- Section 5. The moderator shall have the power to require non-voters to leave the floor of the hall when he shall deem this action necessary.
- Section 6. Articles for the warrant shall be acted upon in the order in which they stand, except that the moderator may upon request and for reasons stated entertain the motion to take up an article out of this regular order.
- Section 7. No motion, the effect of which would be to dissolve a town meeting, shall be in order until every article in the warrant has been acted upon, but this shall not preclude the postponement of action on, or consideration of, any article to an adjournment of the meeting to a stated time.
When a question is before the meeting, the following motions, namely: to adjourn; to lay on the table; for the previous question; to postpone to a stated time; to commit, recommit or refer; to amend; to postpone indefinitely; shall be received and shall have precedence in the foregoing order; and the first three shall be decided without debate.
- Section 8. The moderator may decline to put motions obviously frivolous or tending to disorder. A motion shall be presented in writing if the moderator requests. The moderator shall be governed in his rulings by these articles.
- Section 9. All committees unless otherwise specially directed by the meeting shall be appointed by the moderator except as otherwise provided by law and all committees so appointed shall be directed to report within a definite time. If a committee does not report within the time stated, or at the first annual town meeting thereafter, it shall be considered discharged. The moderator shall not be a member of any committee appointed by him.
- Section 10. It shall be the duty of the appointing body promptly after every town meeting to notify all members of committees who shall be selected or appointed at such meeting.

ARTICLE III.

Advisory Committee

- Section 1. The advisory committee shall consist of six citizens of the town, which committee shall be appointed as provided in the following section, and no person holding an elective or appointive town office shall be eligible to serve on said committee.
- Section 2. The moderator, town clerk, and chairman of the selectmen shall constitute the appointing committee, who shall, within 30 days of each annual meeting for the election of officers, appoint from the citizens of the town two members to serve for the term of three years. The terms of office of said members shall expire at the close of the annual town meeting for election of officers at which their successors are appointed. Said committee shall choose its own officers, and shall serve without pay excepting, however, the secretary thereof, who may receive such compensation as the town may by vote provide. Said committee shall cause to be kept a true record of its proceedings.
- Section 3. To this committee shall be referred all articles in any warrant for a town meeting hereafter issued, or the disposition of any property of the town. It shall be the duty of the selectmen after drawing any warrant for a town meeting to transmit immediately a copy thereof to the chairman of the advisory committee, and said committee shall consider all such articles. A public hearing may be held upon all articles at the discretion of said committee unless a public hearing by some other tribunal is required by law, and a notice of such hearing shall be given by posting a copy thereof in at least three public places in town. After due consideration of the subject matter in such articles said committee shall report thereon, in print, or otherwise, such information and recommendations as it shall deem best. All recommendations of the committee made to the town shall be recommendations of a majority of the committee. In case of disagreement all reports shall be reported back to the town without recommendation.
- Section 4. It shall be the duty of the advisory committee to consider the annual estimates and expenditures as prepared by the various town officers, boards, and committees charged with the expenditure of the town's money, and add another column to the prepared statement giving the amounts which in its opinion shall be appropriated for the ensuing year, and add thereto such explanations and suggestions

in relation to the proposed appropriations as it may deem expedient, and report thereon, as provided in Section 3. The selectmen shall include in their estimates, separately, the salaries of all officers elected directly by the town, and all other items not otherwise provided for, and the salaries of all other persons shall be included in the estimates of officers, boards, or committees appointing them. The treasurer shall include in his estimates the amount required for the payment of interest on the town debt and for the payment of such portions of the town debt as may become due during the succeeding year. Said estimates and explanations shall be filed with the Advisory Committee on or before the fifteenth day of January.

Section 5: Whenever any vacancy shall occur in said committee—by resignation, removal from town, death, failing to qualify, or otherwise—said vacancy shall be filled by said committee. And if any member is absent from five consecutive meetings of said committee, except in case of illness, said committee shall consider his position vacant and proceed to fill the same. The term of office of all persons chosen as aforesaid, to fill vacancies, shall expire at the close of final adjournment of the annual town meeting next succeeding such vacancy; and after said annual town meeting a successor shall be appointed to fill out the unexpired term of each member whose office has been so vacated, in the same manner as the original appointment.

Section 6. It shall be the duty of said committee to make an annual report of its doings, with recommendations relative to financial matters, to be printed with the annual reports of the other town officers.

ARTICLE IV.

Legal Affairs

Section 1: The selectmen shall have the general direction and management of the property and affairs of the town in all matters not otherwise provided for by law or by these by-laws.

Section 2: The selectmen together with two other citizens of the town, neither of whom shall hold an elective town office, shall constitute a law committee. The two members holding no elective office so serving with the selectmen shall be appointed annually by the moderator. This committee, except as otherwise provided by law or vote of the town, shall have full and exclusive authority as agents of the town to engage

counsel, to institute, prosecute, defend, compromise and settle all claims, suits and actions brought by or against the town or protect the town with liability insurance from any or all claims, provided, however, that no claim or action against the town, unless reduced to the form of an execution or decree of Court shall, except in cases which are covered by liability insurance, be compromised or settled by the payment of any amount in excess of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200) without a special vote of the town.

Section 3. It shall be the duty of the law committee to notify the citizens of the town by posting in four public places as soon as possible notice of the fact that an action at law or a suit in equity has been brought against the inhabitants of the town, when the amount of the action or suit is Five Hundred Dollars (\$500) or more.

Section 4. All conveyances of land or interests in land which may hereafter be authorized by vote of the town, or otherwise, except land held under tax titles, shall be signed by a majority of the board of selectmen unless otherwise provided by law, or these by-laws or by special vote of the town, and the same shall be sealed with the town seal.

Section 5. The law committee in their annual report shall state what actions have been brought against or on behalf of the town, what cases have compromised or settled and the terms thereof, and the current standing of all suits of law involving the town or any of its interests, and they shall give a summary of their activities and decisions during the past year.

ARTICLE V.

Financial Affairs

Section 1. The town treasurer shall prescribe the methods of accounting and the forms to be used by the several officers, boards, and committees of the town pertaining to their receipts and disbursements, and shall provide that such methods and forms shall conform to the requirements prescribed by law or by any rules or regulations made thereon.

ARTICLE VI.

Purchasing and Contracts

Section 1. The purchase of services or materials, for which appropriations have been made or moneys otherwise legally provided

for shall be the responsibility of the head of each department or the committee designated. It shall also be their responsibility to determine if funds are available before making commitments.

Each expenditure shall be approved by the head of the department or a majority of the committee having control. Bills presented by vendors or for services shall be approved and signed by a majority of the department officers or committee responsible and also by a majority of the board of selectmen.

Bills shall then be passed to the town treasurer for payment.

It shall be the responsibility of each department or committee to keep total expenditures within moneys legally available. The town treasurer shall pay only up to the total amount authorized for the designated purpose or department or committee requirements.

Section 2. No contract for construction work, whether for repairs or original construction, or for the purchase of apparatus, supplies or materials, the estimated cost of which amounts to \$1,000 or more, with certain exceptions noted below, shall be awarded unless proposals for the same have been invited by the officer, board or committee authorized by the town to make the contract, by advertisements in newspapers in Clinton and Hudson, the last publication to be at least one week before the time specified for the opening of said proposals. Such advertisement shall state the time and place where plans and specifications of proposed work or apparatus, supplies and materials may be had, and the time and place for opening the proposals in answer to said advertisement and shall reserve to the town the right to reject any or all of such proposals. All proposals shall be opened in public. No contract or preliminary plans and specifications shall be split or divided for the purpose of evading this section. The exceptions are:

- a. In cases of special emergency requiring immediate action for the preservation of life and property.
- b. In the case of the purchase of materials, supplies or equipment for which there is no reasonable substitute by reason of natural or actual monopoly, peculiarity of design or type of article, patent right or copyright.
- c. In the case of work or service of a specialized nature for which fair and reasonable competition cannot be obtained.

Section 3. If a contract or purchase is made without competitive bids under the exceptions noted above, such contract or purchase shall have attached to it previous to submission to the

selectmen, a certificate signed by the officer, board of committee authorizing the same, setting forth the reasons why competitive bids were not obtained.

ARTICLE VII.

Records and Reports

- Section 1. All officers, boards, and committees of the town shall cause records of their doings and accounts to be kept in suitable books. Said books shall be kept in their respective places in the town, and shall not be removed therefrom. Said books shall, unless otherwise provided by law, be open to public inspection at any reasonable time, but shall remain during such inspection under supervision of the officer, board or committee having custody thereof.
- Section 2. All officers, boards, and standing committees, and special committees of the town having charge of the expenditure of town money shall annually report thereon in writing so as to give the citizens a fair and full understanding of the objects and methods of such expenditures, referring, however, to the report of the town treasurer for statements in detail of receipts and payments, and may make therein such recommendations as they deem proper. Such reports shall be submitted to the selectmen for inclusion in the annual town report on or before the 10th day of January of each year. All reports shall be signed by at least a majority of the board. The selectmen shall cause these reports, together with a list of town officers and other matter usually published, to be printed and placed in the hands of the town clerk, ready for distribution, seven days, at least, before the annual meeting in March, and distributed to each voting household in the town.
- Section 3. The annual town report shall contain, in addition to the reports of officers, boards and committees as herein before provided, a detailed report of all moneys received into and paid out of the town treasury in the year next preceding, showing separately payments made from the proceeds of loans as capital outlays for permanent improvements; the report of the collector of taxes, of receipts, payments and statements; statements of all funds belonging to the town or held for the benefit of its inhabitants; a statement of the liabilities of the town on bonds, notes, certificates of indebtedness authorized but not incurred, and the purposes thereof; a statement of transfers made to or from any appropriation; abstracts of the records of the meetings of the town held since the publication of the last annual report; and such

other matters as the said report is required by law to contain, or as may be inserted by the selectmen under the discretion granted them by law.

Section 4. The several boards of town officers shall file with the board of selectmen at the end of each year a schedule of all property in their charge. These schedules shall be open to public inspection.

Section 5. The selectmen, or the town, may direct that the assessor's valuation list, the by-laws and standing votes of the town, and the rules and regulations adopted by any officer, board or committee, be printed either separately or as a part of the annual town report.

ARTICLE VIII.

Cemeteries

Section 1. The Town of Bolton will accept from any person any sum of money not less than one hundred dollars, the interest whereof shall be applied to the care and repair of such lot or lots in the public burial ground of the town as the person depositing the money shall designate, in accordance with Section 25, of Chapter 114 of the General Laws (Ter. Ed.).

Section 2. All such money shall be deposited by the town treasurer to the credit of the burial lot fund. The treasurer shall keep the account of the burial lot fund in a book showing the date of each deposit, the amount deposited, the name of the depositor, the name of the cemetery containing the lot and the number of the lot.

Section 3. The treasurer shall give the depositor a receipt in the following form:

Town of Bolton, Treasurer's Office

.....(date)

This certifies that.....has deposited with me the sum of.....Dollars, the interest of which is to be forever applied in accordance with the provisions of Section 25, Chapter 114, General Laws (Ter. Ed.), for the case of lot number..... on the plan of the.....cemetery.

Treasurer of the Town of Bolton

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Section 4. The Cemetery Committee shall not be required to expend the interest on each deposit annually but may, at its discretion, allow it to accumulate in order to do more satisfactory work.

- Section 5. Lots in the cemeteries shall be free to inhabitants of Bolton, and non-residents desiring and selecting lots shall be required to pay a reasonable price, to be determined by the Cemetery Committee.
- Section 6. The assignment of lots shall convey only the right of burial. The title to all lots shall vest in the town.
- Section 7. No lots shall be graded, no shrubbery or trees planted, nor monuments erected, in any cemetery, except with the approval of the Cemetery Committee.

ARTICLE IX.

Protective and Regulating Provisions

- Section 1. Dogs that annoy passers-by on the highway by barking at and chasing vehicles, or that endanger the safety of passengers in vehicles or on foot, shall be rigidly restrained by their owners or keepers after due notice.
- Section 2. No person shall hawk or peddle fish, fruit or vegetables within the limits of the town, except as otherwise authorized by law, without obtaining a license therefor from the selectmen upon payment of the fee of Two Dollars (\$2.00).
- Section 3. No dealer in junk, old metals or second hand articles, shall collect or keep such articles in the town of Bolton, except as otherwise authorized by law, without a license from the selectmen. The selectmen, after notice, and hearing, may revoke any such license for cause. The fee for such license shall be Five Dollars (\$5.00).
- Section 4. No horse, cattle or swine shall be allowed to run at large in any highway of the town, or be allowed to feed within the limits of the highways unless securely tied or tethered, or in charge of some competent person, so as not to obstruct or interfere with public travel.
- Section 5. No person shall tie a horse or other animal to any tree, nor to any structure protecting such tree, in the public streets of the town.
- Section 6. No person shall place or cause or allow to be placed, posters, handbills, placards, signs or any other advertising matter of any nature in or upon any street in the town, except by permission of the selectmen, or in places provided by them for that purpose, unless otherwise provided for by statutes.
- Section 7. No person shall place or pile any wood, lumber or other material within the limits of the highway or sidewalks with-

out a written permit from the selectmen, and then only for a limited period.

- Section 8. No person except officers of the town and their duly authorized agents in the lawful performance of their duties, shall break up or dig up the ground in any highway of the town; or set up any post, pole, fence, tree, structure, or any other obstruction, without a written permit from the selectmen.
- Section 9. No person shall construct or maintain any conduit, or drain, so as to discharge any water or filth upon the highway or into open waterways or ponds from any building, vault, cess-pool or cistern, without a written permit from the selectmen.
- Section 10. Any project involving major construction and/or taking of public or private property shall be explained to the inhabitants of the town through a public hearing. Such public hearing shall be called by the selectmen by posting notices thereof in three public places including the outside of the town hall at least seven days before the time of said hearing.

DIVISION II

By-Laws Pertaining To Use of Land

By-Laws Regulating the Removal of Soil, Loam, Sand and Gravel in the Town of Bolton, Massachusetts Adopted at Special Town Meeting
October 10, 1956.

ARTICLE I.

- Section 1. The removal of soil, loam, sand or gravel from any parcel of land not in public use in the Town of Bolton, except as hereinafter provided, shall be allowed only after a written permit therefor is obtained from the Board of Selectmen after a public hearing of which due notice is given.
- Section 2. No permit shall be required for the continuous operation on any parcel of a sand or gravel pit in operation at the time this by-law is adopted, provided such operation is not thereafter discontinued for more than one year; and no permit shall be required for the removal of soil, loam, sand, or gravel from any parcel of land when incidental to and in connection with the construction of a building on the parcel. No permit shall be required by a home owner or farmer for the transfer of loam, sand or gravel from one part of his own premises to another part thereof for the improvement of his own premises, nor shall any permit be required for removal of loam, sand, or gravel in connection with the improvement or construction of any road over his premises provided such loam, sand, or gravel so removed is used on said premises to improve the same and is not contrary to the regulations of this by-law as adopted. No permit shall be required by quarries operating at the time this by-law is adopted so long as the sale of soil, loam and gravel is not involved.
- Section 3. In issuing a permit under this by-law, the Board of Selectmen may impose such conditions not specifically provided for therein as it may deem necessary for the adequate protection of the neighborhood and the Town. And conditions imposed by the Board shall be attached to and made a part of the permit. The Board may, in its discretion, require a bond, certified check, or other security for compliance with such conditions or as evidence of good faith as to the completion of any proposed construction. The Board may, after a public hearing on proof of violation of any condition, revoke any permits so issued. No permit shall be issued under the provisions of this by-law for a period of more than three years.

- Section 4. Sand and gravel may be removed from any parcel of land, except within 300 feet of a street or way, and the Board shall issue a permit therefor provided, however, that the Board shall impose such reasonable conditions as to the disposition of top soil and the re-establishment of ground levels and grades as it may deem necessary.
- Section 5. Soil or loam may be removed and sold from any parcel of land within such parcel determined by the Board to be unsuited to agricultural use, and the Board may issue a permit for such removal, provided, however; that the Board shall in making such decision, obtain the recommendations of the appropriate Soil District Supervisor and the County Extension Director or Agent or their successors, and their recommendations shall be made a part of the records of the Board. In issuing a permit, the Board may impose reasonable conditions as to the re-establishment of ground levels and grades.
- Section 6: Notwithstanding the provisions of the above, the Board may issue a permit for the removal of soil or loam from any parcel of land in the Town where such removal is necessarily incidental to and in connection with the construction of a road or other facility involving a permanent change in the use of the land. The Board shall issue no such permit unless it is reasonably satisfied that the construction will be completed and evidence thereof shall be made part of the records of the Board.
- Section 7. Sand or gravel may be removed from any parcel of land within such parcel lying within 300 feet of any street or way, provided a permit therefor has been issued by the Board after satisfactory evidence that such removal will not be seriously detrimental or injurious to the neighborhood; provided further that the Board shall impose reasonable conditions as to the method of removal, the re-establishment of ground levels and grades and the planting of the area to suitable cover, as it may deem necessary.
- Section 8: The penalty for violation of the provisions of this by-law shall be as follows: For the first offense Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars; For the second offense One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars; For the third and subsequent offenses Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars.

ARTICLE II.

Board of Appeals

Preamble

For the purpose among other permitted purposes of promoting the health, safety, convenience, morals and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Bolton, and to lessen the danger of fire and congestion and to improve the Town.

Section 1: A Board of Appeals shall be established consisting of five (5) members to be appointed by the Selectmen for terms of such length and so arranged that the term of one appointee will expire each year, and said Board shall elect annually a chairman and a clerk from its own members. The Board shall have the powers, duties, and follow the procedures which are in accordance with the General Laws—Chapter 40A, Section 13 to 20 inclusive and shall have jurisdiction over all sections included under this article, and in addition the Board may hear and act upon all matters established by law for consideration by Municipal Boards of Appeal.

Section 2. The penalty for violation of the provisions of this by-law shall be as follows: For the first offense Fifty (\$50.00) Dollars; For the second offense One Hundred (\$100.00) Dollars; For the third and subsequent offenses Two Hundred (\$200.00) Dollars.

ARTICLE III.

Base Town Map

Preamble

For the purpose among other permitted purposes of promoting the health, safety, convenience, morals and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Bolton, and to lessen the danger of fire and congestion and to improve the Town.

Section 1: The Town VOTED to accept as the Base Town Map, the plan as laid out on the map dated Jan. 7, 1958. This map being made by the Mapping Department of the Massachusetts Geodetic Survey plates, and approved by the members of the Planning Board.

ARTIVLE IV.

Adopted—1958

Zoning—By-Laws

Preamble

For the purpose among other permitted purposes of promoting the health, safety, convenience, morals and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Bolton, and to lessen the danger of fire and congestion and to improve the Town.

- Section 1. A Board of Appeals shall be established consisting of five (5) members to be appointed by the Selectmen for terms of such length and so arranged that the term of one appointee will expire each year, and said Board shall elect annually a chairman and a clerk from its own members. The Board shall have the powers, duties, and follow the procedures which are in accordance with the General Laws—Chapter 40A, Section 13 to 20 inclusive and shall have jurisdiction over all sections included under this article, and in addition the Board may hear and act upon all matters established by law for consideration by Municipal Boards of Appeal. The Board of Appeals as set up in Article II, Section 1 shall have jurisdiction of all appeals pertaining to the sections of this article.
- Section 2. Every way that shall be laid out for acceptance by the Town as a Town way shall be laid out to a width of not less than 40 feet, with not less than a 24-foot wide travelled portion constructed with at least 12 inches of gravel over subgrade, properly drained and given a surface treatment. No grades shall exceed 12%. The layout, drainage construction and surface shall meet the approval of the District Engineer of the Massachusetts Department of Public Works as suitable for inclusion in the chapter 81 schedule of Town Roads. Every way shall be laid out as a through way, unless a dead end is specifically approved by the Planning Board. Dead end streets shall not be longer than 500 feet and shall be provided at the closed end with a turn around having an outside road way diameter of at least 100 feet and a property line diameter of at least 130 feet.
- Section 3. In all districts land sub-divided or laid out after the adoption of this by-law shall have a lot area of not less than 40,000 square feet with a frontage of not less than 150 feet upon an existing town way as shown on the Town Base Map and listed in the Chapter 81 schedule of roads, or upon a new way laid out and constructed in accordance with Section 2

of this by-law. No dwelling shall hereafter be erected a lot so sub-divided or laid out that does not meet such requirements, except that a dwelling may be erected upon a proposed way laid out in accordance with Section 2 of this by-law, provided that surety acceptable to the Town Counsel is filed with the Town to insure the completion of the construction of said proposed way within a period of two (2) years. A lot facing on two streets or one street and a proposed street shall be considered as facing upon either at the option of the owner in determining minimum frontage. The lot frontage may be measured either at the street line or at the set back line, but may not be less than 100 feet at the street line. Not more than one dwelling shall be erected upon any lot and neither that dwelling nor any buildings pertaining to it shall be constructed closer than 50 feet from the property line at the street. This by-law shall not prohibit the erection of one dwelling on any lot or parcel of land not meeting such minimum requirements which at the time this by-law was originally adopted in 1958 was in a single or joint ownership by a recorded deed or as shown on a plan which had been recorded. Penalties for violation of this by-law are \$50.00 for first violation; \$100.00 for second violation; \$200.00 for as subsequent violations.

ARTICLE V.

Trailers

Preamble

For the purpose among other permitted purposes of promoting the health, safety, convenience, morals and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Bolton, and to lessen the danger of fire and congestion and to improve the Town.

Section 1: The Board of Appeals as set up in Article II, Section 1 shall have jurisdiction of all appeals pertaining to the sections of this article.

Section 2. In no area in the Town of Bolton will there be permitted the setting up or operation of a trailer-coach park. Under this by-law a trailer coach park is defined as a tract of land upon which two or more trailer coaches, occupied for dwelling purposes are located; and a trailer coach is defined as a mobile dwelling unit, whether or not installed on a foundation.

- Section 3. All trailer coaches or mobile homes, used for dwelling, commercial or industrial purposes, parked in any area of the Town for more than ninety (90) days shall conform to all by-laws, ordinances and regulations applying to permanent dwellings or buildings.
- Section 4. The use of trailers for dwelling, commercial or industrial purposes in the town for more than a period of one year shall be prohibited.

DIVISION III

Building Regulations

Preamble

For the purpose among other permitted purposes of promoting the health, safety, convenience, morals and general welfare of the inhabitants of the Town of Bolton; and to lessen the danger of fire and congestion and to improve the Town.

- Section 1. The Board of Appeals as set up in Article II, Section 1 shall have jurisdiction of all appeals pertaining to the sections of this article.
- Section 2. No person shall erect a building of more than 150 square feet of floor area or add to an existing building more than 150 square feet of floor area in the Town of Bolton without a permit from the Board of Selectmen. If the plans as submitted to the Selectmen, for filing, conform to all by-laws, ordinances and regulations of the Town, the Selectmen shall issue a permit within 14 days and may charge a fee not to exceed five dollars.
- Section 3: No building erected in the town for use as a permanent dwelling shall have a living area of less than 650 square feet.
- Section 4. Commercial establishments and industries are permitted within the town to build, restore, rebuild and remodel, as required and in keeping with all by-laws, except those which:
- A. Store or use volatile poisonous liquids in excess of 20,000 gallons.
 - B. Operate slaughter houses commercially.
 - C. Store or produce explosives.
 - D. Wreck or store junk or wreckage of any kind.
 - E. Store or produce fertilizers.
 - F. Store or produce any product which might be noxious, pungent, or create ugly refuse.
 - G. Produce objectionable noise, dust or dirt; and
 - H. Produce a product or by-product emitting harmful radiation.
- Section 5: A lot of land used as an industrial or commercial site shall have an area of not less than ten times the area of all buildings thereon and shall in no case be smaller than 40,000 square feet nor have a street frontage of less than 150 feet on any accepted town way.

- Section 6. An accessible tank, reservoir, or water hole containing at least one gallon of water for each one square foot of total floor area of buildings of combustible material and one gallon of water for each two square feet of total floor area of buildings of non-combustible material shall be provided and maintained within 1,000 feet of each industrial or commercial building unless said building is located within 1,000 feet of an existing equivalent body of water.
- Section 7. A parking area of at least 1 square foot for each one square foot of commercial building area and 1 square foot for each 2 square feet of industrial building floor area shall be provided on each lot of land used as an industrial or commercial site.
- Section 8. Parking areas and driveways on industrial or commercial sites shall be improved to at least the equivalent of 8 inches gravel over subgrade and shall be pitched to drain.
- Section 9. All unimproved areas on industrial or commercial sites shall be protected by grass, trees, shrubbery or equivalent cover.
- Section 10. A building for industrial or commercial use shall be located not less than 150 feet from any line bounding a public way and not less than 50 feet from any line bounding the property of others.
- Section 11. A building for industrial or commercial use shall be not more than 35 feet (thirty-five feet) high if constructed of non-combustible material and not more than 25 feet high if constructed of combustible material. Height to be measured from the finished grade and not to include chimneys, towers or similar superstructures.
- Section 12. The Selectmen shall appoint each year an Inspector of Gas Piping and Gas Appliances, whose duty shall be the enforcement of the rules and regulations adopted by the Board established under Section 12H of Chapter 25 of the General Laws.

